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8 MAY 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Inspector General
SUBJECT: Third Draft of Revised NSCID 5
REFERENCE: Memorandum, This Subject, dated 26 April 1957
(TS No. 148672-C)

1. On 1 May 1957 I discussed with the DCI and General Truscott the advisability of including in a revised NSCID 5 a specific provision setting forth the Director's responsibility for the coordination of U.S. clandestine collection activities abroad. It was our general feeling, as a result of this discussion that, while DCID 5/1 set forth the procedures for accomplishing coordination of Agreed Activities, the Director's authority in this connection rested on only an implicit authority in the legislation setting up the organization and on the subsequent NSCIDs and that nowhere was such authority explicitly set forth. While it is true that such authority has not been directly challenged, it would be hazardous to assert that such a challenge will never be made. In any event, the discussion with General Cabell and General Truscott resulted in the decision, after we considered several alternatives, that the words "which shall be coordinated by the Director of Central Intelligence" be added to the last line of paragraph 1 of the current draft.

2. On reconsideration, such wording would cover paragraph 1 but would leave paragraph 2 (dealing with counterintelligence) uncovered. The insertion of similar wording in paragraph 2 would be desirable if it could be added in proper context. The organization of the paragraph is such that the same wording would not fit smoothly into the paragraph.

3. It is suggested, therefore, that consideration be given to adding to the draft a new paragraph (which would be paragraph number 3, and would call for renumbering the current draft's paragraphs 3, etc.) which would read as follows: "The Director of Central Intelligence shall coordinate the Agreed Activities described in the paragraphs 1 and 2 above". This is really no more than the statement of the responsibilities which DCID 5/1 implements.

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4. I believe that we should, however, exercise care lest the insertions recommended above become the subject of a debate with the Services which we might lose. If this were to happen, our position could well be weakened rather than strengthened, since we do at least enjoy currently the implicit acquiescence of the Services in our understanding of the DCI's coordinating responsibility in the field of clandestine collection. I should suppose that the views of the Board of Consultants on a matter such as this one would be helpful.

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TO : General Cabell

DATE: 9 May 1957

FROM : General Truscott, Jr.

SUBJECT: Revised NSCID #5

REFERENCES: Memorandum from Thomas Karamessines dated 26 April 1957 T.S. 148867
Memorandum from Thomas Karamessines dated 5 May 1957 T.S. 148672-C

1. Since the two paragraphs appear in the current NSCID #5, I would not object to including them in the revision, although I do not think they are *Retain CR* actually necessary.

2. Reference your query on Paragraph 2 of Memorandum dated 26 April 1957, I believe CIA rather than DCI should disseminate information. *Agree CR* STAT

3. Reference your suggested change added to Paragraph 1 of the Third Draft, and Karamessines Memo of 5 May, I do not think we should raise the question of DCI responsibility for coordinating. It is already accepted in the Community.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Heggen

Note General Cabell's concurrence and mine.

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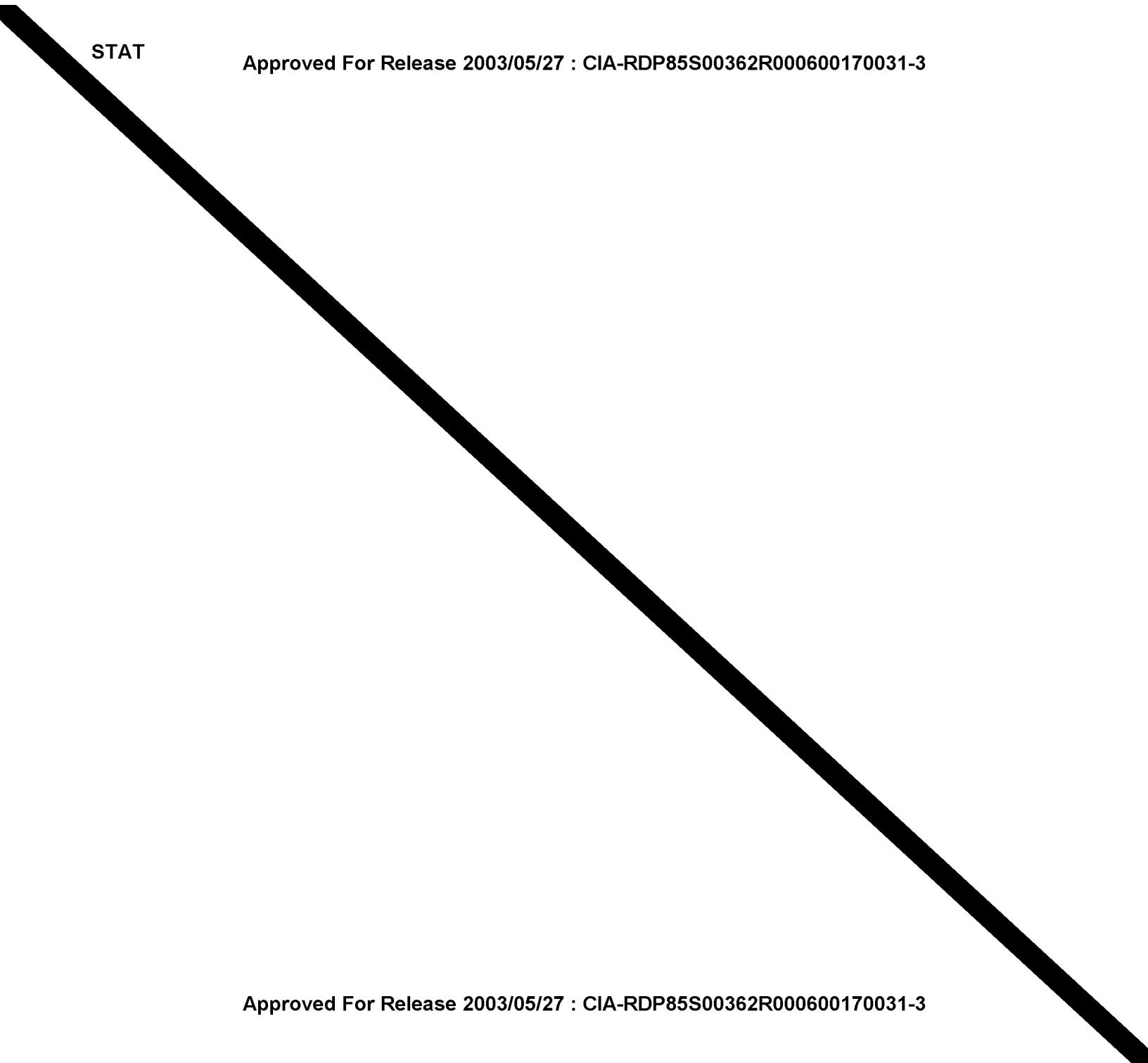
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